SR-6J

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

RE: Demand for reimbursement of costs expended at Site G of the Sauget Area 1 Proposed Superfund Site at Sauget, Illinois

Dear Sir:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has documented the release or threatened release of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants at the above-referenced Site. The U.S. EPA believes that your company is responsible for costs incurred by the U.S. EPA at this proposed Superfund Site.

U.S. EPA and the State of Illinois EPA have taken action at the Site, under the authority of the Superfund Program. Your company is responsible for reimbursing the U.S. EPA for the response costs associated with the Site (1) preliminary assessment and site investigation and (2) the 1995 removal action, conducted to reduce any immediate threat to the environment or human health. The approximate total response costs identified up through [insert date of latest cost summary] for the Site are \$[insert final cost]. A summary of these costs is enclosed. (See Attachment A.)

According to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, potentially responsible parties (PRPs) are jointly and severally liable for all costs incurred by U.S. EPA at a Superfund site, meaning any one party may be liable for all site costs. To assist the PRPs in negotiations with U.S. EPA concerning this matter, attached to this letter is a list of names and addresses of other PRPs to whom this demand for reimbursement is being sent. (See Attachment B.) It should be noted that inclusion on or exclusion from the list does not constitute a final determination by U.S. EPA concerning the liability of any party for payment of response costs. Usually, partial payments will not release the payor of liability for payment of the rest of the costs that are owed to U.S. EPA.

We hereby demand that you make restitution by payment in the amount of \$[insert final cost] plus interest. Pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, interest shall begin accruing as of the date of this demand, if payment is not received within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter.

Such payment must be made to the U.S. EPA Hazardous Substances Superfund established pursuant to Section 221 of CERCLA, which is administered by U.S. EPA. Please send your check to:

> U.S. EPA - Region V Attn: Superfund Accounting P.O. Box 70753 Chicago, Illinois 60673

Please place the following Site Identification Number on the check: 4V. Please, also, send a <u>copy</u> of your payment check to Thomas Martin in the Office of Regional Counsel at the following address:

U.S. EPA - Region 5 77 W. Jackson Boulevard C-14J Chicago, IL 60604

If a response from you is not received within thirty (30) days, the U.S. EPA will assume that you have declined to reimburse the Superfund for the Site expenditures, and pursuant to CERCLA, U.S. EPA may pursue civil litigation to recover its costs.

If you desire to discuss your liability with U.S. EPA, please contact Thomas Martin, Associate Regional Counsel, within thirty days of the date of this letter, by telephone or facsimile. Mr. Martin may be reached by phone at (312) 886-42733; his facsimile number is (312) 886-0747.

Mr. Michael McAteer is the assigned Federal Remedial Project Manager to the Sauget Area 1 Site, and may be reached by phone at (312) 886-4663; his facsimile number is (312) 886-4071.

Sincerely yours,

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Wendy L. Carney, Chief Remedial Response Branch #1 Enclosures

cc: Paul Takacs, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

bcc: T. Marks, SR-6J

M. McAteer, SR-6J

T. Martin, C-14J

Superfund Accountant, MFS-10J

ATTACHMENT B

MAILING LIST

- 1. Monsanto Chemical Co. 800 North Lindbergh Avenue St. Louis, Missouri 63167 Attn: Environmental Counsel
- Solutia Inc.
 10300 Olive Blvd.
 P.O. Box 66760
 St. Louis, MO 63166
 Attn: D. Michael Light

- Industrial Salvage and Disposal Co./Sauget & Co. 2700 Monsanto Avenue Sauget, Illinois 62206
- 4. Mobil Oil Corporation 150 East 42nd Street New York, New York 10017
- 5. Cerro Copper Products Company P.O. Box 66800 St. Louis, MO 63104 Attn: Environmental Counsel